

Before the
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of)
)
Amendment of Section 73.622(b),) MM Docket No. 00-198
Table of Allotments,) RM-9980
Digital Television Broadcast Stations.)
(Corpus Christi, Texas))

REPORT AND ORDER
(Proceeding Terminated)

Adopted: December 2, 2003

Released: December 5, 2003

By the Chief, Video Division:

1. At the request of KVOA Communications, Inc. ("KVOA"), licensee of station KRIS-TV, NTSC channel 6, Corpus Christi, the Commission has before it the Notice of Proposed Rule Making, 15 FCC Rcd 19663 (2000), proposing the substitution of DTV channel 13 for station KRIS-TV's assigned DTV channel 50.¹ KVOA filed comments and reply comments stating its intention to apply for DTV channel 13, if allotted. No other comments were received.

2. We believe the public interest would be served by adopting KVOA's request since it would help reduce station KRIS-TV's building and operating costs, while improving the signal coverage for viewers in the Corpus Christi, Texas DMA. DTV channel 13 can be allotted to Corpus Christi, Texas, as proposed, in compliance with the principle coverage requirements of Section 73.625(a) at coordinates (27-44-28 N. and 97-36-08 W.). Since Corpus Christi is located within 275 kilometers of the U.S.-Mexican border, concurrence by the Mexican government has been obtained for this allotment. In addition, we find that this channel is acceptable under the 2 percent criterion for *de minimis* impact that is applied in evaluating requests for modification of initial DTV allotments under Section 73.623(c)(2) for Station KRIS-TV with the following specifications:

<u>State & City</u>	<u>DTV Channel</u>	<u>DTV power (kW)</u>	<u>Antenna HAAT (m)</u>	<u>DTV Service Pop. (thous.)</u>
TX Corpus Christi	13	160.0	291	501

3. Accordingly, pursuant to the authority contained in Sections 4(i), 5(c)(1), 303(g) and (r) and 307(b) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, and Sections 0.61, 0.204(b) and 0.283 of the Commission's Rules, IT IS ORDERED, That effective January 20, 2004, the DTV Table of Allotments, Section 73.622(b) of the Commission's Rules, IS AMENDED, with respect

¹ In its petition, KVOA stated that adoption of its proposal could reduce its building and operating costs. KVOA further stated that operation on a VHF channel would improve the signal coverage for viewers.

to the community listed below, to read as follows:

<u>City</u>	<u>Channel No.</u>
Corpus Christi, Texas	8, ² 13, 18, *23, `27,

4. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, That within 45 days of the effective date of this Order, KVOA Communications, Inc. shall submit to the Commission a minor change application for a construction permit (FCC Form 301) specifying DTV Channel 13 in lieu of DTV Channel 50 for station KRIS-TV.

5. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, That this proceeding IS TERMINATED.

6. For further information concerning this proceeding, contact Pam Blumenthal, Media Bureau, (202) 418-1600.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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² The DTV Table of Allotments was amended to reflect the substitution of DTV channel 8 for DTV channel 47 at Corpus Christi, Texas, for station KIII-DT pursuant to Report and Order adopted November 13, 2003, see DA 03-3641.